

none can fail to estimate correctly its social and moral tone. While the law does not sanction the teaching in our public schools of the peculiar views which characterize the different denominations of Christians, it does instruct the teacher "to inculcate by precept and example a respect for religion and the principles of Christian morality." To the trustees the people must look to see their desires in this respect, so far as is consonant with the spirit of the law, carried into effect by the teacher."—*Comments and Regulations of Council of Public Instruction, p. 51, reg. 5.*

2. Whereas it has been represented to the Council of Public Instruction that Trustees of Public Schools have, in certain cases, required pupils, on pain of forfeiting school privileges, to be present during devotional exercises not approved of by their parents; and whereas such proceeding is contrary to the principles of the School Law, the following additional Regulation is made for the direction of Trustees, the better to ensure the carrying out of the spirit of the Law in this behalf:—

ORDERED, That in cases where the parents or guardians of children in actual attendance on any public school (or department) signify in writing to the Trustees their conscientious objection to any portion of such devotional exercises as may be conducted therein under the sanction of the Trustees, such devotional exercises shall either be so modified as not to offend the religious feelings of those so objecting, or shall be held immediately before the time fixed for the opening or after the time fixed for the close of the daily work of the school; and no children, whose parents or guardians signify conscientious objections thereto, shall be required to be present during such devotional exercises. *March, 1867.*

3. "The hours of teaching shall not exceed six each day, exclusive of the hour allowed at noon for recreation. Trustees, however, may determine upon a less number of hours. A short recess should be allowed about the middle of both the morning and afternoon session. In elementary departments, especially, Trustees should exercise special care that the children are not confined in the school room too long."—*Comments and Regulations of Council of Public Instruction, p. 48, reg. 2.*

IX. The Provincial Normal School.

FIRST TERM begins on the first Wednesday in November, and close on the Friday preceding the last Thursday in March.

SECOND TERM begins on the first Wednesday in May, and closes on the Friday preceding the last Thursday in September.

* Students cannot be admitted after the first week in each term, except by the consent of the Principal.

FACULTY OF INSTRUCTORS.

NORMAL COLLEGE.

Method, and the Natural Sciences:—REV. ALEXANDER FORRESTER, D.D. Principal of the Normal College and Model School.
English and Classics:—J. B. CALKIN, Esq.
Mathematics:—W. R. MULHOLLAND, Esq.
Music and Drawing:—MISS L. HAYES.

MODEL SCHOOL.

High School Department, MR. EDWARD BLANCHARD.
Preparatory " MR. JAMES LITTLE.
Senior Elementary " MISS FAULKNER.
Junior do. " MISS A. LEAKE.
Janitor:—MR. DODSON.

None but holders of valid licenses will be admitted to the Normal School as pupil-teachers. The licenses must be presented to the Principal at the opening of the Term.

Extracts from the Regulations of Council of Public Instruction.—"Before being enrolled a Student at the Normal School, every pupil-teacher shall make the following declaration, and subscribe his or her name thereto: 'I hereby declare that my object in attending the Provincial Normal School, is to qualify myself for the business of teaching; and that my intention is to teach, for a period not less than three years, in the Province of Nova Scotia, if adjudged a Certificate by the Examiners.' In consideration of this declaration, instruction, stationery, and the use of text books (except Classical) shall be furnished pupil-teachers, free of charge."

Persons wishing to enrol as Candidates for High School or Academy certificates must, in addition to a good knowledge of English, be thoroughly familiar with the Latin and Greek Grammars, and be able to parse with ease any passage in some elementary work in each language. In mathematics, they must be competent to solve any example in the advanced Nova Scotia Arithmetic, to work quadratic equations in Algebra, and to demonstrate any proposition in the first four books of Euclid."

X. Bond of Secretary to Trustees.

"The Secretary of the Trustees shall give a bond to Her Majesty, with two sureties, in a sum at least equal to that to be raised by the section during the year, for the faithful performance of the duties of his office; and the same shall be lodged by the Trustees with the Clerk of the Peace for the county or district."—*School Law of 1866, Sect. 42.*

This bond is to be given annually, or whenever a Secretary is appointed, and Trustees should not fail to forward it by mail or otherwise, to the Clerk of the Peace, immediately after they have appointed their Secretary. The following is a proper form of bond:—

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE, (name of Secretary) as principal, and (names of sureties) as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto our Sovereign Lady VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, &c., in the sum of _____ of lawful money of Nova Scotia, to be paid to our said Lady the Queen, her heirs and successors, for the true payment whereof, we bind ourselves, and each of us by himself, for the whole and every part thereof, and the heirs, executors and administrators of us and each of us, firmly by these presents, sealed with our Seals, and dated this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and _____ and in the _____ year of Her Majesty's reign.

WHEREAS the said _____ has this day been duly appointed to be Secretary to the Board of Trustees of _____ School Section, No. _____ in the District of _____

NOW THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That if the said (name of Secretary) do and shall from time to time, and at all times hereafter, during his continuance in the said Office, well and faithfully perform all such acts and duties as do or may hereafter appertain to the said Office, by virtue of any Law of this Province, in relation to the said Office of Secretary to Trustees, and shall in all respects conform to and observe all such rules, orders and regulations as now are or may be from time to time established for or in respect of the said Office, and shall well and faithfully keep all such accounts, books, and papers, as are or may be required to be kept by him in his said Office, and shall in all respects well and faithfully perform and execute the duties of the said Office, and if on ceasing to hold the said Office, he shall forthwith, on demand, hand over to the Trustees of the said School Section, or to his successor in office, all books, papers, moneys, accounts, and other property in his possession by virtue of his said Office of Secretary—then the said obligation to be void—otherwise to be and continue in full force and virtue.

Signed, sealed, and delivered } [Name of Secretary.] (Seal)
in the presence of } [Names of Sureties.] (Seals)

Name of Witness.]

WE, THE SUBSCRIBERS, two of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of _____ do certify our approbation of _____ (names of Sureties,) within named, as Sureties for the within named _____ (name of Secretary,) and that they are to the best of our knowledge and belief persons of estate and property within the said County of _____ and of good character and credit, and sufficiently able to pay, if required, the penalty of the within bond. Given under our hands this _____ day of _____ A. D. 186 _____ [Names of Magistrates.]

XI. List of Inspectors.

- J. F. L. Parsons, B.A. Halifax.
- Rev. D. M. Welton, M.A. Windsor.
- William Eaton, Kentville.
- Rev. G. Armstrong, M.A. Bridgetown.
- Rev. P. J. Filleul, B.A. Weymouth.
- G. J. Farish, M.D. Yarmouth.
- Rev. W. H. Richan, Barrington.
- Rev. D. O. Parker, M.A. Liverpool.
- W. M. B. Lawson, Lunenburg.
- H. C. Upham, Great Village.
- F. W. George, M.A. Amherst.
- M. T. Smith, Pictou.
- Angus McIsaac, Antigonish.
- S. R. Russell, Guysboro'.
- James Macdonell, Port Hood.
- Alexander Munro, Baddeck.
- Edmund Outram, M.A. Sydney.
- W. R. Cutler, Arichat.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

HALIFAX COUNTY.

TRUSTEES and TEACHERS in Halifax County are hereby notified that the public money will be paid November 25th—30th, in the Legislative Library Room, Province Building, between 10 and 4 o'clock each day
J. PARSONS, Inspector.

EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

THE Annual Meeting of the TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION will be held in Halifax during the Christmas vacation. Owing to various delays an extended programme cannot yet be published, but the outline of the work of the Session is as follows:—

Inaugural Address by the President, on Monday evening, December 28th.
Tuesday morning—preliminary work and entering upon business. Reports from Local Associations.

Tuesday afternoon—in part occupied with an address by Superintendent of Education, on the "adaptation of the present Nova Scotia series of school books to the advanced methods of teaching,"—leaving time afterwards for discussion.

Tuesday evening—a Lecture.
Wednesday morning and afternoon—business relative to teachers and their work.

Wednesday evening—a Lecture.
Thursday morning and afternoon—Speeches on various subjects having a practical bearing upon the Profession and the prospects of education.
Thursday evening—a Public Lecture.

During the Session ample time will be given to hear reports from County and Local Associations, and to receive statements from teachers concerning the state and progress of education in their districts.

A more exact programme will be published in the November Journal.
J. PARSONS, Sec'y. Com.

Teachers' Provincial Association.

Teachers' Local Associations, and friends of Education throughout the province, will please send to J. F. L. Parsons, Halifax, Secretary of the Educational Committee of the Provincial Association, previous to October 25th, all questions or subjects considered advantageous for debate or discussion at the next annual meeting. This is requested so that the committee may arrange the work and publish an outline in the *Journal of Education*, sufficiently long beforehand, that every teacher may become acquainted with the work contemplated.